

Remarks - General

By the above amendment, Applicant has amended the specification to correct those errors noted by the examiner.

In light of the number of changes, primarily concerning numbering and lettering, applicant would like to request that a substitute specification be entered in place of the specification of record. A marked up version of the substitute specification is enclosed. The portions that are desired to be deleted from the specification are highlighted in red and placed in black parentheses. The portions that are desired to be added to the specification are highlighted in blue and are underlined in blue. A clean copy of the amended specification is also enclosed for substitution of the specification of record, if allowed.

Also, Applicant has amended the drawings of the above application to more particularly correlate the drawings with the specification. These changes are highlighted in red on the drawings, in the enclosed marked up copies. Applicant would like to request that these changes be allowed.

Applicant has enclosed only the drawing sheets that contain requested corrections. The drawing sheets with requested corrections are 1/19, 5/19, 6/19, 7/19, 8/19, 9/19, 10/19, 12/19, 14/19, 15/19, 16/19, 17/19, and 19/19. Enclosed, also, are clean copies of these amended drawing sheets for substitution of the drawings of record, if allowed.


Also, Applicant has rewritten all claims to define the invention more particularly and distinctly so as to eliminate the myriad number of species noted in the office action, above, by making the restrictions/elections as required by the office action.

No new matter has been entered, by way of the enclosed requested corrections. All of the matter in the requested corrections may be found elsewhere in the original specification and/or drawings. No other changes have been made to the clean copies of the specification and drawings, other than those that have been highlighted in their respective marked up copies.

Conclusion

For all of the above reasons, applicant submits that the specification, drawings and claims are now in proper form, and that the claims all define a patentable invention. Therefore she submits that this application is now in condition for allowance, which action she respectfully solicits.


Very Respectfully,


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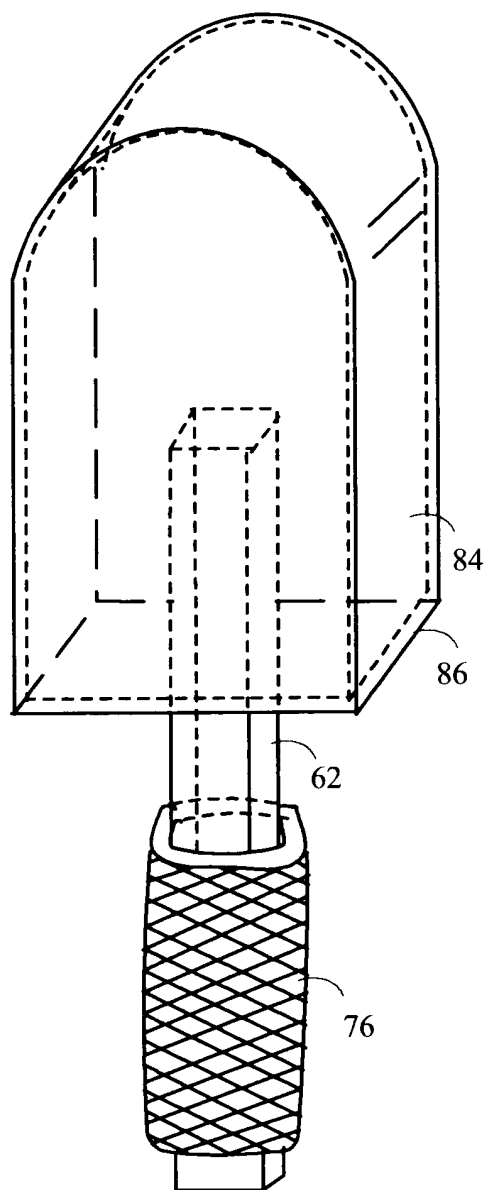


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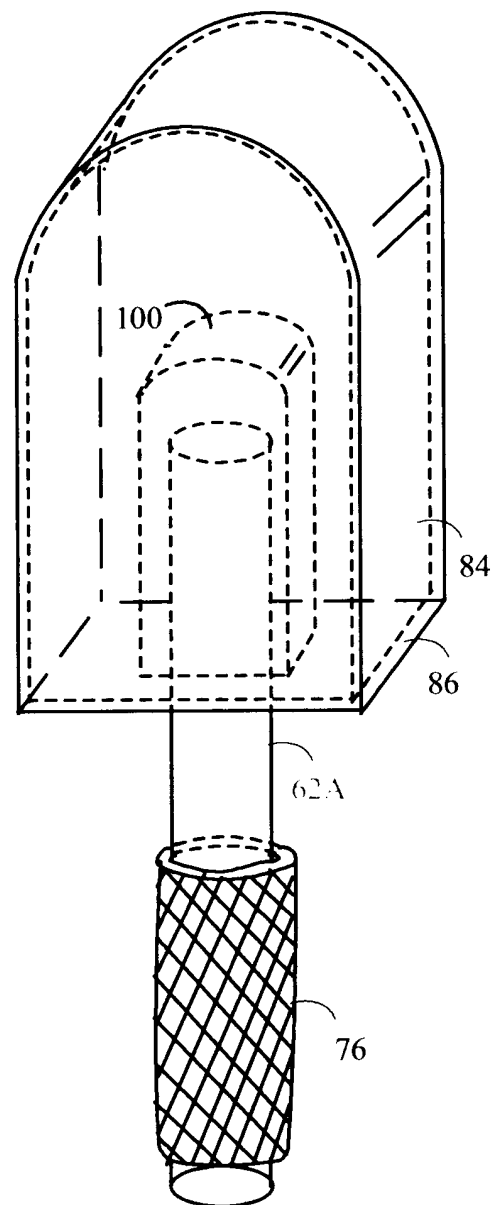


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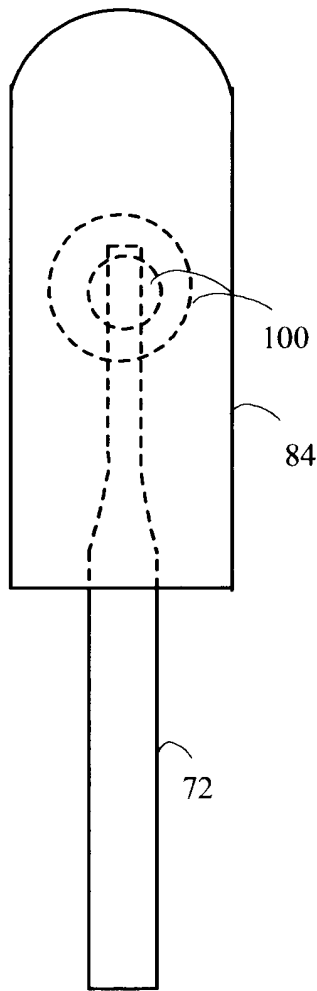


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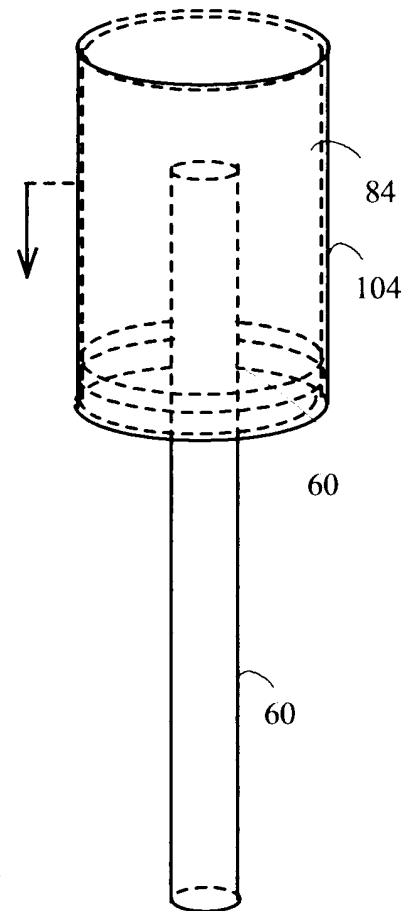


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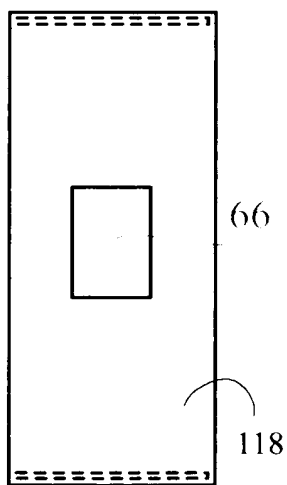


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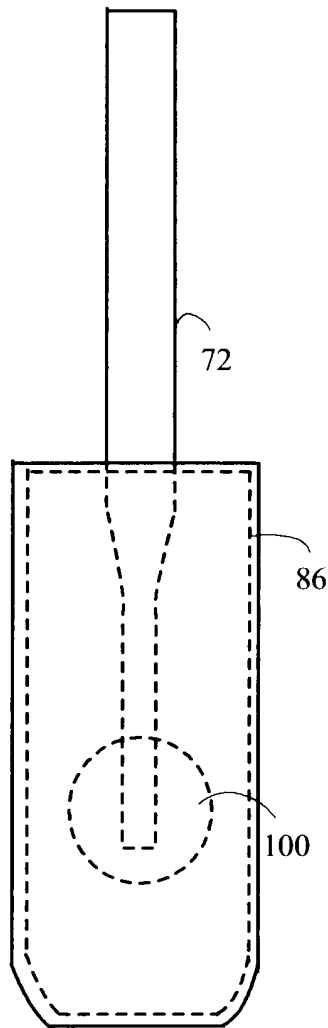


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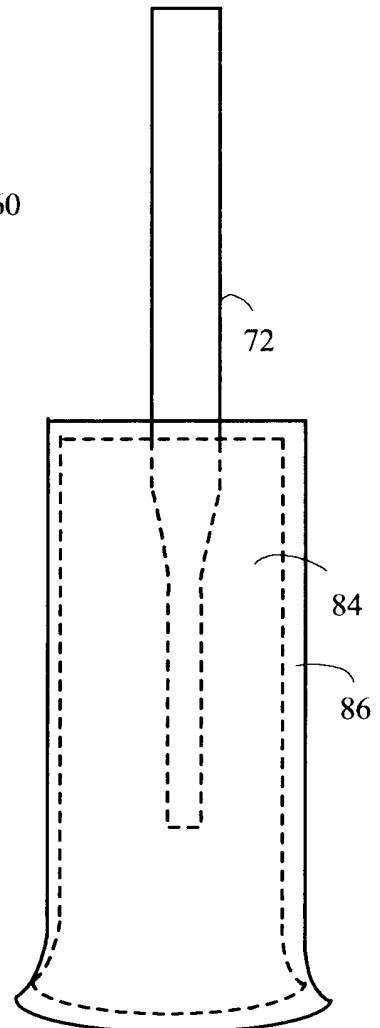


Fig. 13C

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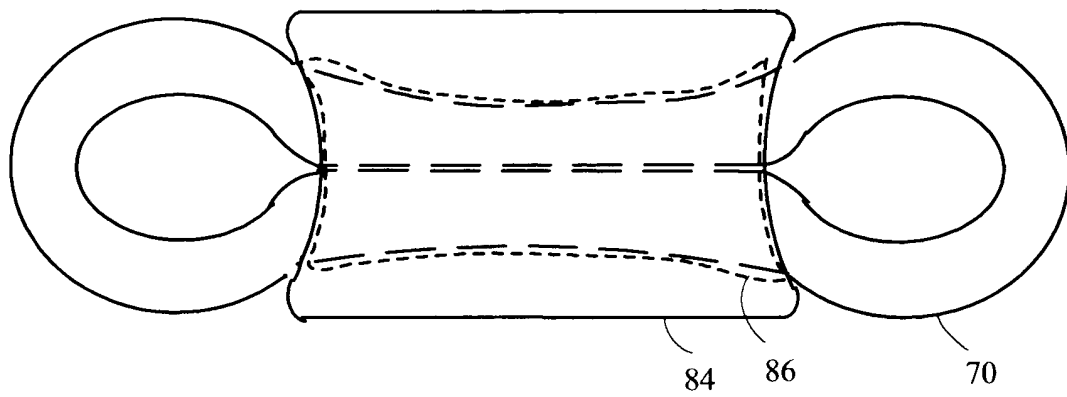


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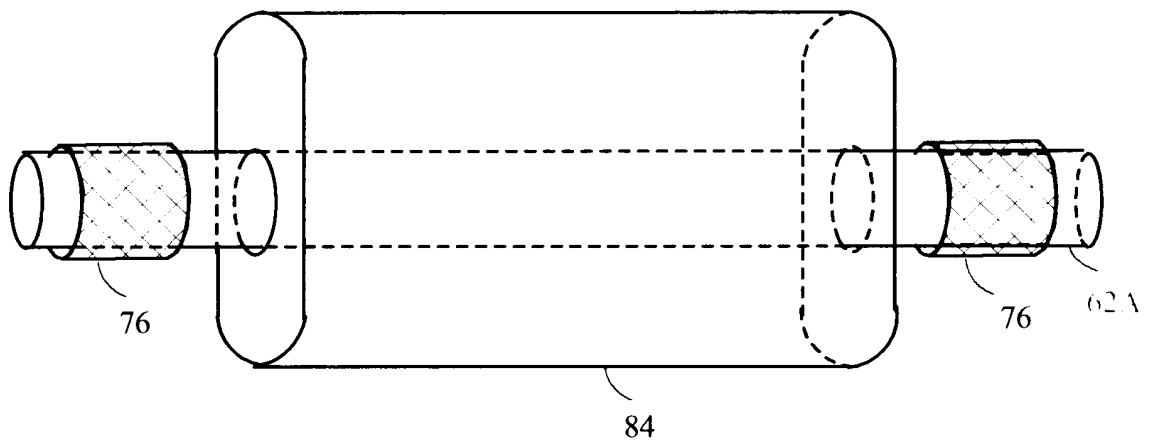


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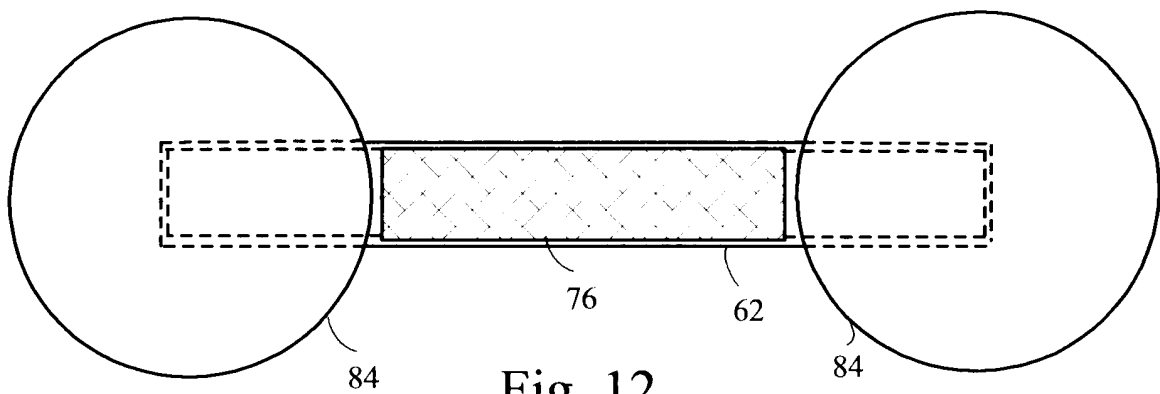


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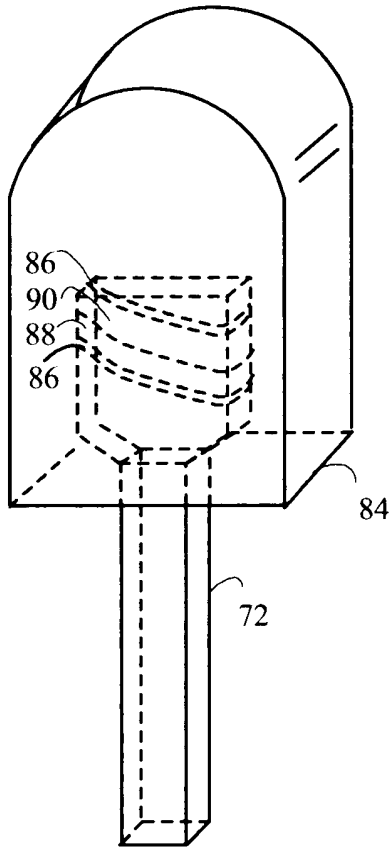


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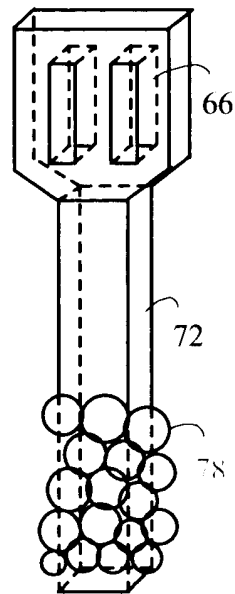


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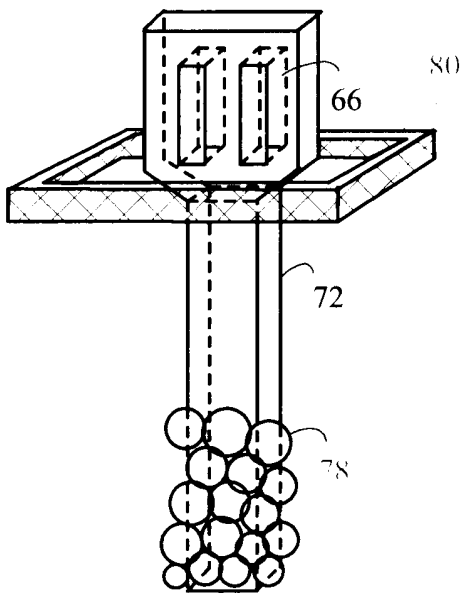


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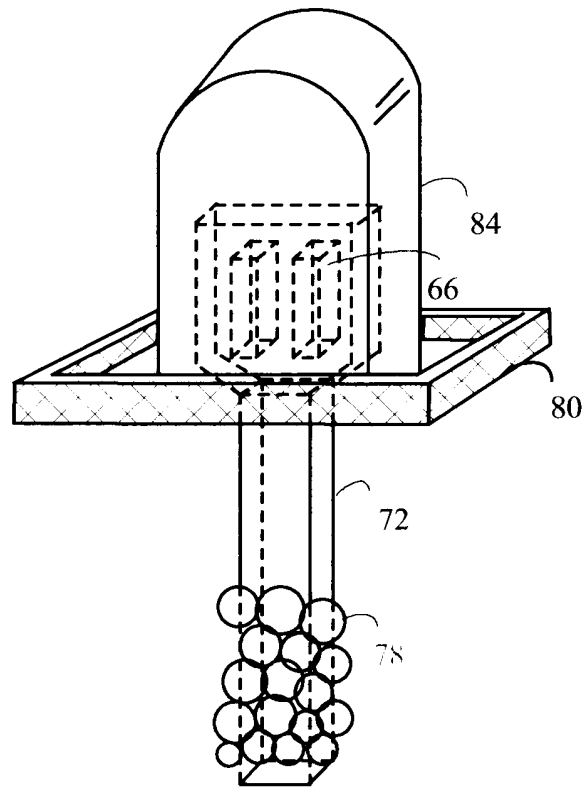


Fig. 15D

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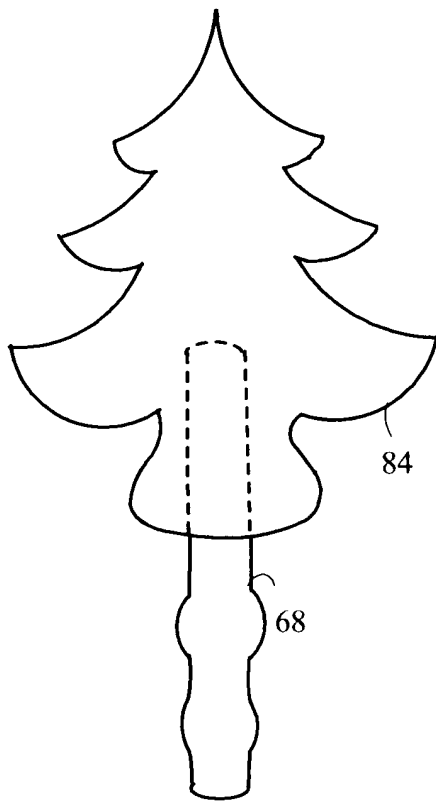


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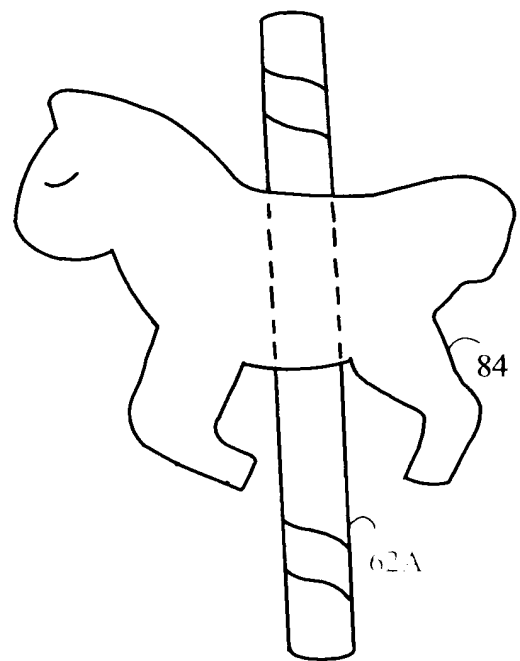


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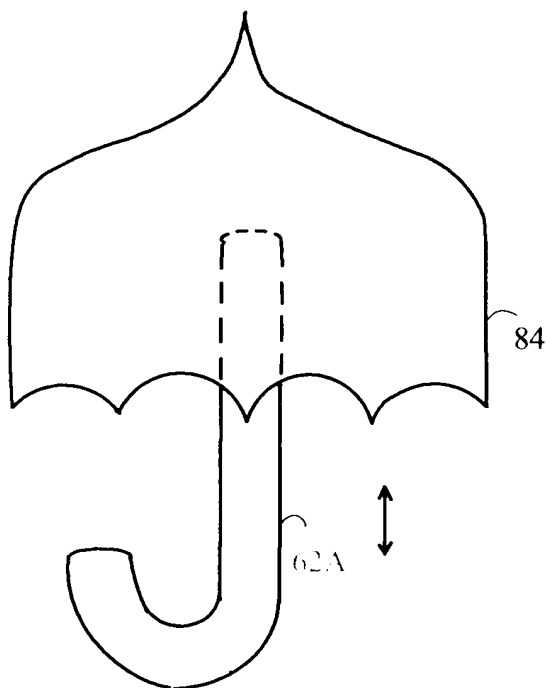


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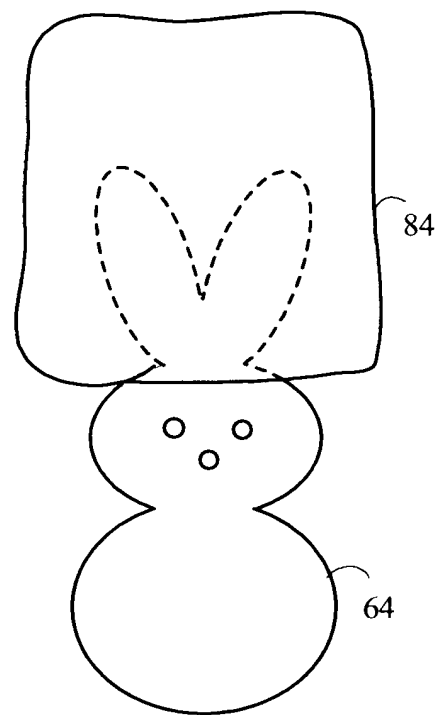


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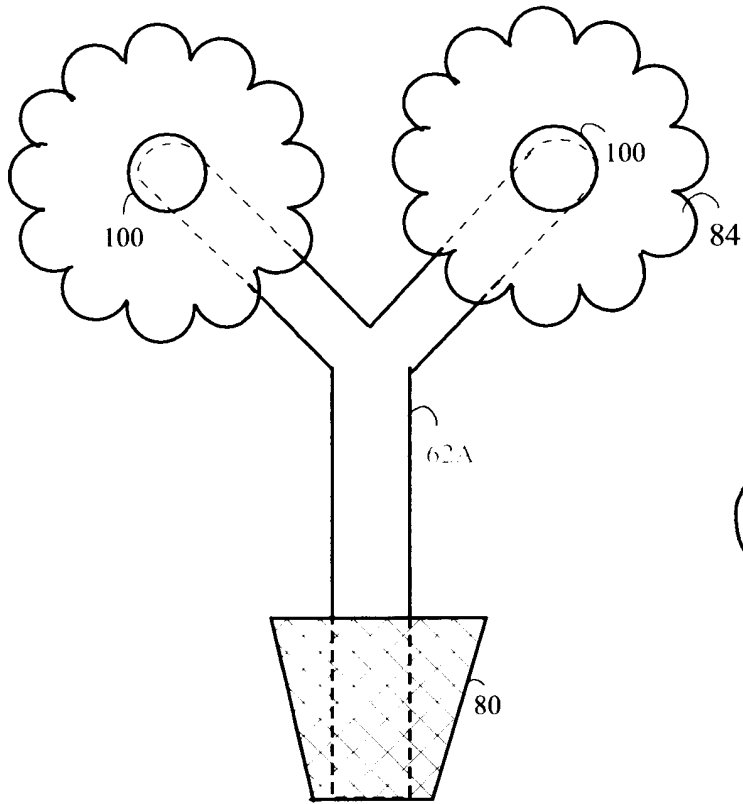


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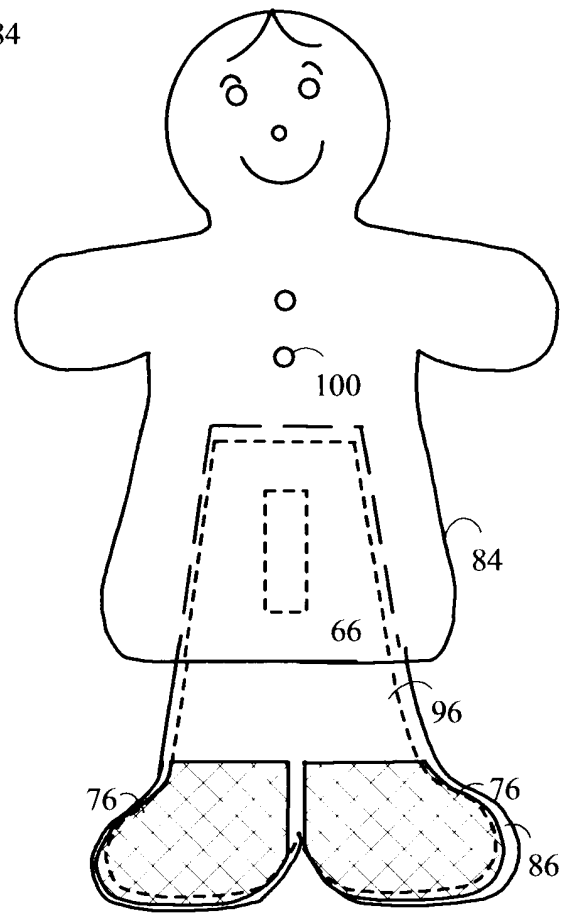


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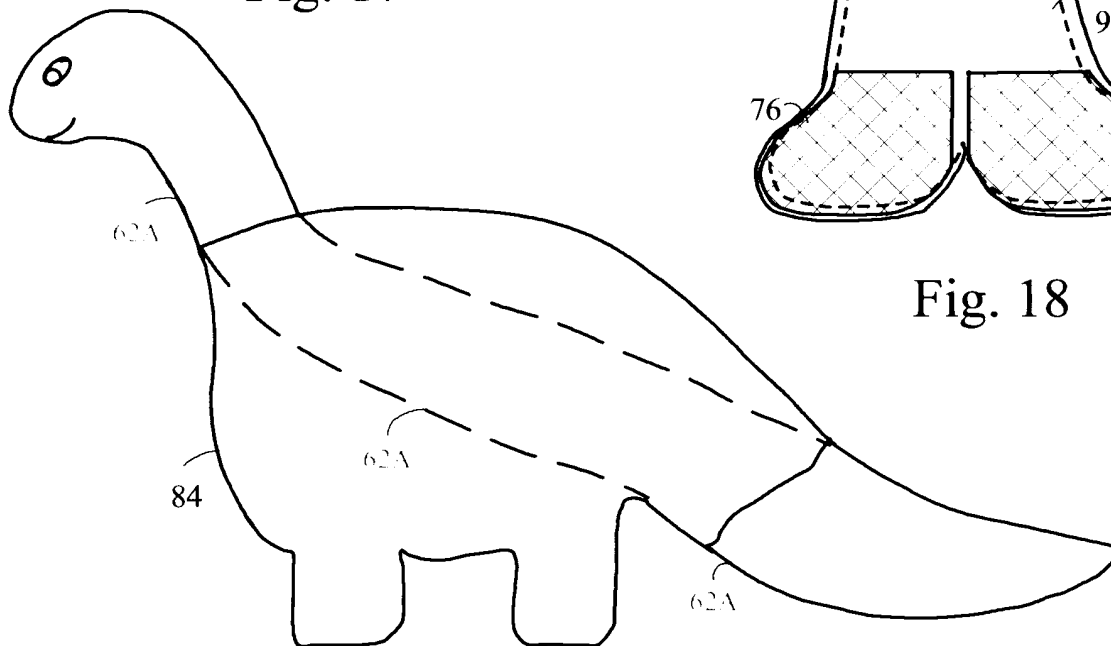


Fig. 19

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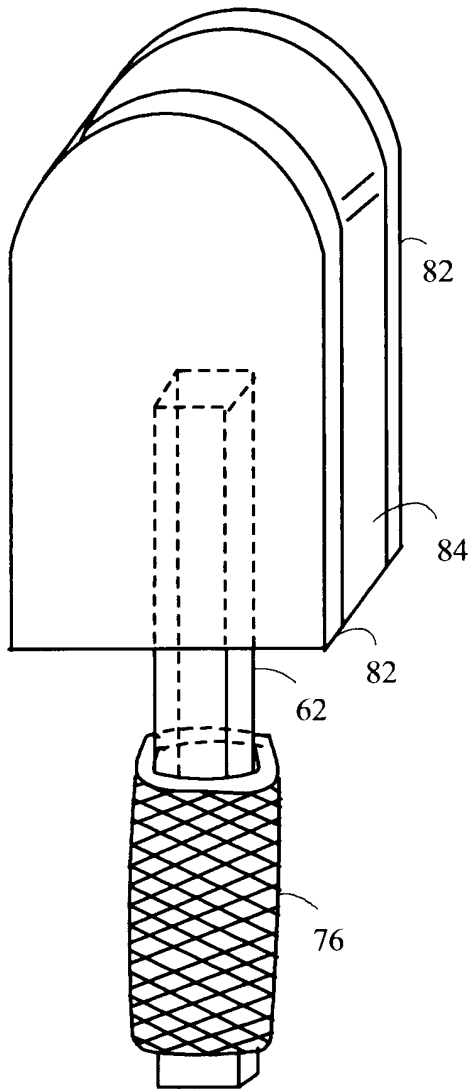


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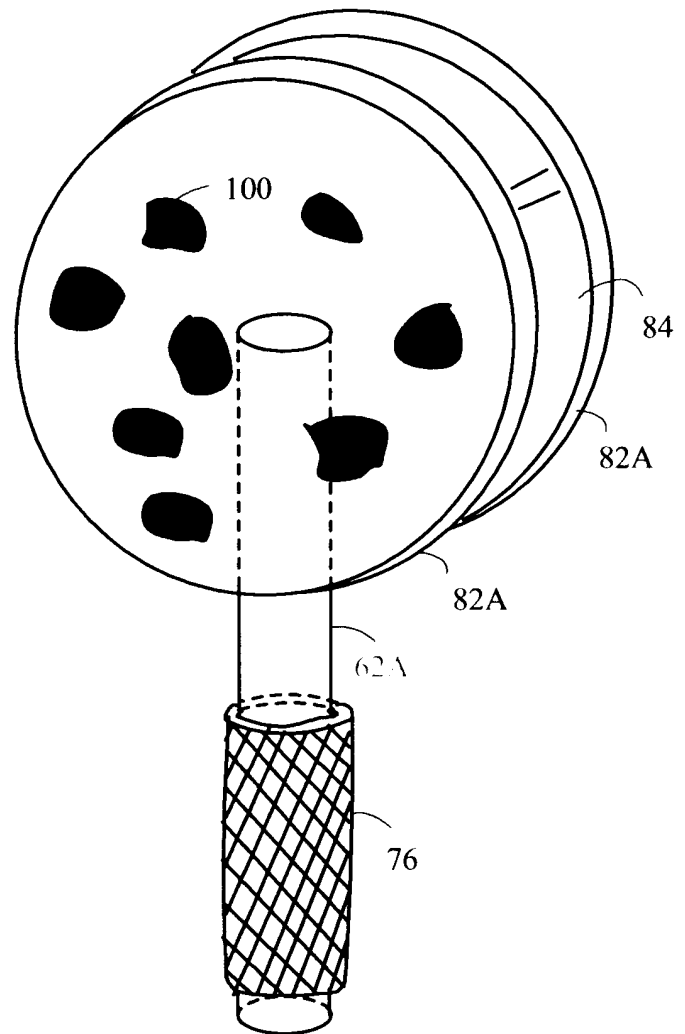


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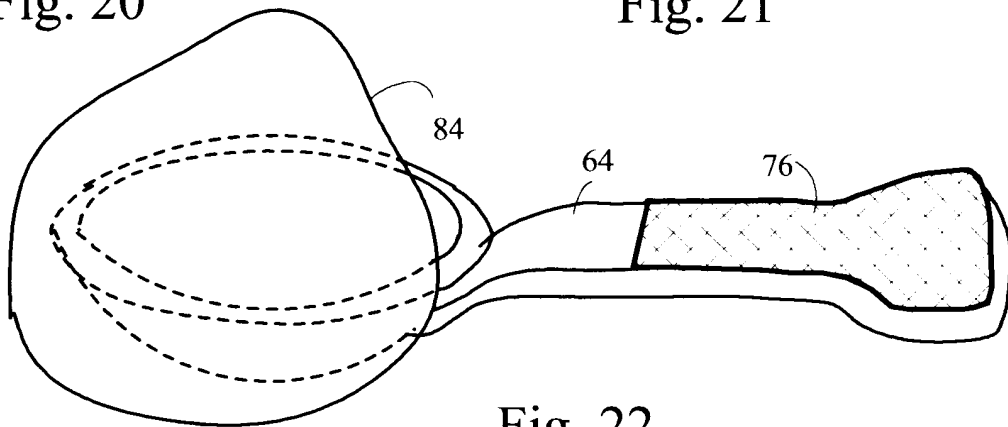


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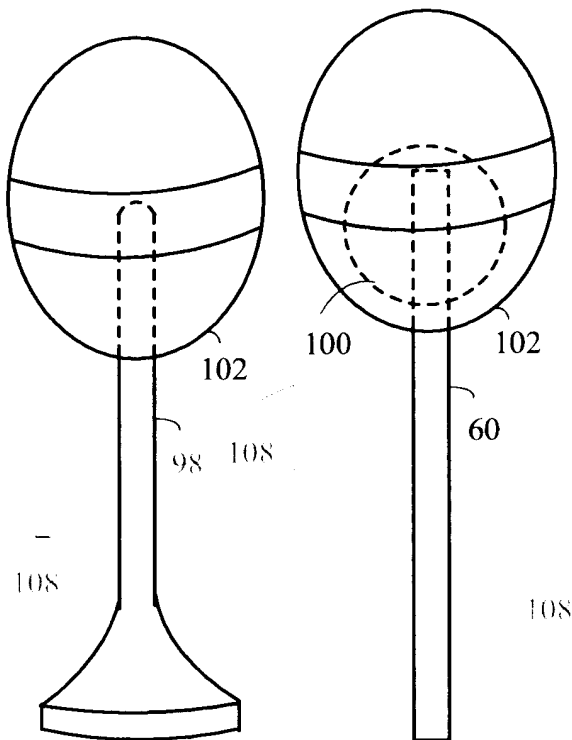


Fig. 41A

Fig. 41B

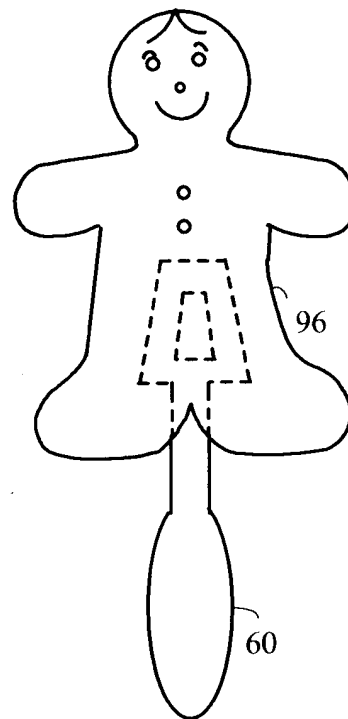


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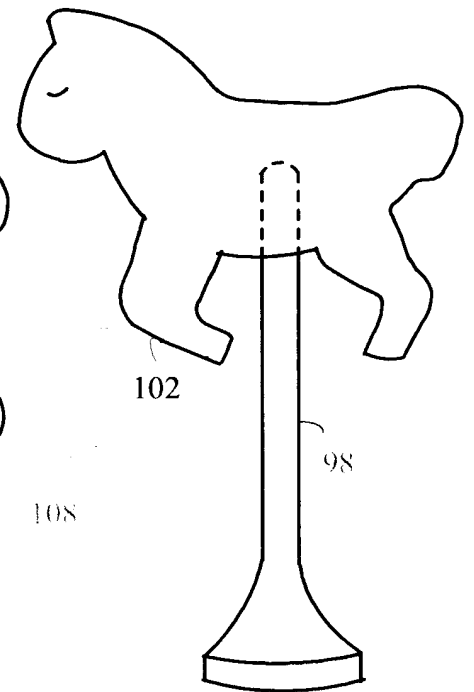


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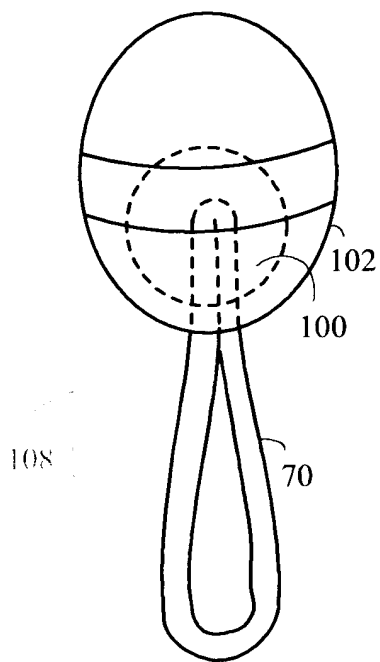


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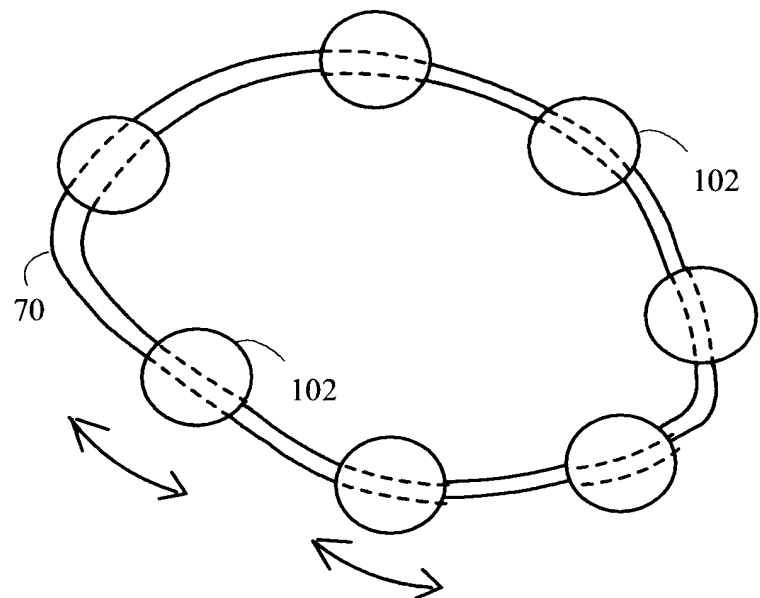


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